

*AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION*

Please replace paragraph [0065] with:

The present invention is similar in some respects to the invention disclosed and claimed in German Patent Application No. 102 07 384.8, filed on January 22, 2002, said application being incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference. The present invention is also associated with the invention disclosed in the U.S. Patent Application No. 60/410,705, entitled "Twist Mop," ~~having attorney docket number 216980~~, and filed on ~~the same day as the instant application~~ September 13, 2002, and now expired, said application being incorporated herein in its entirety by this reference.

Please replace paragraph [0079] with:

Referring to FIG. 6, the operating member 100 is shown stopped at an incremental rotational index stop relative to the shaft section 11.1 of the shaft ~~111~~ 11. In this position, the bearing portions 127 of each arm 121 engage the indexing surface of the shaft. Upon attempting to rotate the operating member 100 in the release direction 124 opposite the wringing direction 123, the indexing surface of the shaft ~~111~~ 11 engages the arms 121 with the lever portions 126 resisting rotation thereof. The raked position of the levers 126 allows the arms 121 to resist rotation in the direction 124 such that the operating member 100 is impeded from rotating in this direction. The resistance of the indexing device can be adjusted by adjusting the thickness of the bearing and lever portions, the angle between the bearing portion and lever portion, and the angle between the lever portion and a tangent to the support. In some embodiments, each bearing portion is made thinner at its free end to assist in starting rotation in the wringing direction.

Please replace paragraph [0080] with:

Referring to FIG. 7, upon rotation of the operating member 100 in the wringing direction 123, the outer circumferential surface of the shaft ~~111~~ 11 engages the bearing portions 127 of the arm 121. These in turn exert a force on the lever portions 126, which deflect radically outwardly to allow the operating member 100 to rotate in the wringing direction 123. Upon further advancement in the wringing direction 123, the operating member will stop at a new incremental index stop. The operating member 100 and the device 110 preferably are similar in other respects to the embodiment illustrated in FIGS. 1-3.